BIRD BOX
MALORIE & OLYMPIA

INT: BEDROOM

Malorie is sitting on her bed. Olympia appears in the doorway holding cushions.

OLYMPIA

Hi.

MALORIE

Hi.

OLYMPIA

Yeah.

I thought it might be good for us to be close considering...

Olympia looks down at her baby bump.

MALORIE

Sure.

OLYMPIA

You know,

this way, we won't be lonely. I read this blog post once about how pregnant women should always sleep next to someone because the baby can sense when the mother is lonely.

MALORIE

Perfect.

OLYMPIA

So, um...

have you thought about names yet?

MALORIE

No, not yet. How about you?

OLYMPIA

Well, if it's a girl we wanted to name her, like, Ariel or Jasmine. I mean, I would love to name her Cinderella and just call her Ella.

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MALORIE

And what did your husband like?

OLYMPIA

He loves everything I love. What about you? Does your husband have a favorite?

MALORIE

Oh, it's just me.

OLYMPIA

Oh, I'm-- I'm sorry.

MALORIE

No, it's fine. It's fine.

OLYMPIA

The only reason I opened that door is 'cause I remember what it felt like to be outside of it.

If you guys hadn't let me in, I...

I feel like such a burden.

MALORIE

You are no more a burden than I am, okay?

OLYMPIA

That's not true.

MALORIE

It is. It is.

OLYMPIA

You're not soft like me.

I'm so spoiled.

My parents have always done everything for me and then my husband, and I just...I got soft from all that love.

MALORIE

Well, I was raised by wolves, so consider yourself lucky.

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OLYMPIA

If something happens to me, I want you to take care of my baby.
Okay?

MALORIE

No. No.

OLYMPIA

Please.

MALORIE

It's your baby.

OLYMPIA

Malorie.

No.

Promise me.

MALORIE

Nothing is gonna happen to you. It's your baby.

OLYMPIA

Promise me.

MALORIE

Nothing--

OLYMPIA

Please promise me.

MALORIE

Yeah, okay. Yeah, of course.

Malorie hands Olympia a plastic bag.

OLYMPIA

What is this?

MALORIE

Well, if I was just gonna tell you, I wouldn't have bothered putting it in this fancy-- this fancy bag.

Olympia opens the bag and pulls out a gift.

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MALORIE (CONT'D)

I got it on the supply run.

OLYMPIA

It's so cute.

MALORIE

Mm-hmm.

OLYMPIA

Thank you.

MALORIE

You're welcome.

I know it's not the baby shower you've always dreamt of.

OLYMPIA

No, it's-- It's perfect.

MALORIE

And you can give it to your little one when she's old enough, okay?

OLYMPIA

Thank you.